

**City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department
 Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group
 April 13, 2023, 7:00pm
 Minutes**

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

A regular meeting of the Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group was held at Silver Wing Recreation Center, 3737 Arey Drive San Diego, CA 92154.

CALL TO ORDER

President Dotty Giffen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present (4)	Members Absent (3)	Staff Present (7)	Guest (3)
Dotty Giffen President	Wayne Dickey	Taevee Davis	Sergio Agucera
Mike Grzenia Vice President	Cindy Rodriguez	German Fimbres	Steven Dawid
Alex Gutierrez Secretary	Sherri Gonzalez	CJ Saldana	William Pernu
Rosita Haro Treasuer		Albert Hara	
		Gerardo Ramirez	
		Robert Broomfield	
		Carlos Edington	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of February meeting minutes. Motion approved: Mike G./ Alex G.
 3 yeah/0-Nay/0-Abstain

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Sergio, President of the Raza Car Show reported the following:
 - The 9th Annual Raza Car Show this year.
 - Submitted a permit application for June 10th at Montgomery Waller
 - Event will be on the lawn, live music, stage, vendors, and family oriented.
2. William Pernu, Alcohol and Drug Prevention Specialist with Say San Diego presented the following:

- Fentanyl Education
- How to use Narcan and the positive effects of helping others on the street etc.
- Steps and what to do when you see an overdose.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP

None.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT

Carlos Edington reported the following:

- The surge of Fentanyl is incredible and in his 15 year of being an officer he has never seen anything like it. Citations have been issued to those that have been cited but they will go back to using it within minutes after being cited.
- There are no negative effects of Narcan.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORT

Gerardo Ramirez reported the following:

- Next Dumpster Dropoff May 6th at Montgomery Waller from 9am-12pm on the Coronado Avenue side. No hazardous materials allowed.
- Press Conference held this morning at Palm Ridge for the bridge rehab project on Palm Ave near 805. Grant for the project is \$24 million.
- Gerardo will ask the Project Manager on how the bridge rehab closure will affect the businesses near the area.
- Sunday hours have been added to 14 library locations beginning April 14th.
- Budget season is around the corner. The mayor will be releasing his proposed budget being presented to the City Council. Gerardo will forward details on how to submit a wish list. A petition can be submitted with signatures as well.
- The Homeless Ordinance went out City Wide today to have certain areas be enforced with homeless and will be moving forward to City Council.
- Every year there is a Storm Water Drain Clean-up. Gerardo will send out details on the next one.

HISTORICAL TOPICS

None.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

RECREATION COUNCIL OFFICERS REPORTS

President Dotty Giffen reported the following:

- Both Easter Egg events were outstanding.
- Silver Wing lights need adjustment.

- Palm Ridge was nicely cleaned for Mayor's press conference.

COMMUNITY PARKS II COMMITTEE

None.

OTAY VALLEY REGIONAL PARK

None.

ATHLETIC REPORTS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

Center Director III, CJ Saldana reported the following:

- Thanks to the members that come to help at the Egg Hunt. Had about 800 in attendance.
- Basketball City Wide Finals happened since the last meeting.
- Soccer and Volleyball are currently going on.
- UCSD Health Fair on Saturday, the 15th from 10am-3pm with eye exam, mammograms etc. Looking for Volunteers.
- Day of the Child looking for volunteers.
- Field Rehabilitation with soil and laser leveling.
- Luckie Waller Little League has started their season.

Center Director II, Taevee Davis reported the following:

- Current Interns were offered Recreation Aide positions.
- 12u girls' basketball were finalists in the City-Wide Basketball Tournament.
- All Soccer age divisions are full.
- Weekly Programs such as Kids Krafts and Farm to Table going on.
- Egg Hunt went great with about 300 in attendance.
- Free Teen Movie Night is coming up next Friday. Showing the Goonies
- Mother's Day Tea Party on May 9th. Ladies Only
- Soccer Clinic for youth at Larsen Field.
- Summer Program Registrations open May 13th at 10am.
- Looking for more Teen participation to volunteer.
- Please use Get It Done to report dogs off leash, lights, and park issues.

Area Manager, German Fimbres reported the following:

- Bridge Rehab will impact 20-30 feet of the park side on Palm Avenue. There will be a wall between 10-17 feet. New trees will be planted to replace the trees removed. Project is estimated to take 3 years to complete.
- Career Job Fair on March 22nd at the Balboa Park Club with on-the-spot interviews from 9am-5pm.
- Opportunity Fund Fee is a new charge on all permits that go into a fund for underserved communities. Proposal for FY2024 Opportunity Fund programming was presented to CRG .

- Encouraging vendors to become an approved vendor for the city. There are requirements and vendor fairs come up.

Area Manager, Albert Hara, reported the following:

- Renovation Project at Montgomery Waller on both sports field
- Tons of soil was delivered and spread out by staff.
- Brush cutter was bought to tackle the brushes but needs repair after use.
- In the process of hiring another Grounds Maintenance for the area.
- Thanks to staff and volunteers for the Egg Hunt and all the wonderful things happening.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- Mother’s Day Tea Party – May 9th – Silver Wing
- Day of the Child- April 30th -Montgomery Waller

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18pm

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

May 11th, 2023, at 7:00 pm
 Montgomery Waller Recreation Center
 3020 Coronado Avenue San Diego, CA 92154
 (619) 424-0466

Submitted by,

Reviewed by

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 Taevee Davis
 Center Director

 German Fimbres
 Area Manager

 Dotty Giffen
 President

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